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In re Patent Application of:
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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR
ENHANCING DRUG DELIVERY ACROSS
BIOLOGICAL MEMBRANES AND TISSUES

Examiner: D. Jones

AMENDMENT AFTER REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 12, 2005 (Paper No. 09022005), for which a response was due on March 12, 2006 with maximum extension of time. The application was unintentionally abandoned. A Petition to Revive and a Notice of Appeal were filed on March 27, 2006. The Petition to Revive was granted and the decision mailed on April 26, 2006, and the period for filing the Appeal Brief was set to run from the mailing date of the petition. The Appeal Brief was thus due on June 26, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a four-month extension of time, thereby extending the pendency of the application to October 26, 2006. Accordingly, this application is still pending. A Request for Continued Examination also accompanies this response. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein, are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.